

II. SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 3, line 1 through line 9 as rewritten below:

As a specific example, despite of the relatively large number of "Reserved" bit combinations there appears to be no suitable and unspecified bit combinations that a mobile station could use to separately indicated its capability of using either the basic GPRS (General Packet Radio System), the EGPRS (Extended GPRS) with eight-level phase shift keying (8PSK) as the modulation method or the EGPRS without 8PSK as the modulation method, when the mobile station is making a One Phase Access Request (OPAR), a Short Access Request (SAR) or a Two Phase Access Request (TPAR). The possibility of even further similar needs is also foreseeable.

Page 7, line 3, insert:

--Fig. 7a illustrates an encoding principle according to a fifth embodiment of the invention, and

Fig. 7b illustrates a decoding principle according to the fifth embodiment of the invention.--